

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 16 AUGUST 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1164 (ACCNO 5314) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: CONDREY, GEORGE THOMAS III Date Status assigned: 11 May 1968

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	\$
Service	ARMY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	# #
Grade	W1	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	FAIR
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	71 in / 1.80 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	DATA	Weight	175 lb / 79.3 kg	Duty pos	PILOT
Home State	GEORGIA	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: CRASH SITE
UTM: 48PYC836619
Lat/Long: 155517N / 1073857E
Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Military Region: 1
Mission Province: QUANG NAM-DA NANG
(formerly): QUANG NAM
Mission District: HIEN
Mission Date: 8 May 1968
Mission Category: 1
Local Analysis: Near populated area.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Mar 92
Investigations: Jul 91, Jun 93
Surveys: Jul 91, Jun 93
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: CRASH SITE
Survivability: (5) In the aircraft at the time of the crash

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: UH1C	Serial: 14172
Crash Type: Enemy action	Engine Type: T53
Call Sign: @	1 Serial: #
Year: 64	2 Serial: #

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REFNO: 1164 (ACCNO 5353) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: DAYTON, JAMES LESLIE Date Status assigned: 11 May 1968

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	\$
Service	ARMY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	# #
Grade	W1	Hair	RED	Complexion	#
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BLUE	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	74 in / 1.88 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	DATA	Weight	142 lb / 64.3 kg	Duty pos	ACFT CDR
Home State	ILLINOIS	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

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REFNO: 1164 (ACCNO 5503) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: JURECKO, DANIEL EDWARD Date Status assigned: 12 May 1968

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	\$
Service	ARMY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	A +
Grade	E4	Hair	RED	Complexion	#
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	GREEN	Weapon	#
Serial No	- DATA	Height	71 in / 1.80 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	DATA	Weight	148 lb / 67.0 kg	Duty pos	CREWMAN
Home State	TEXAS	Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

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Name: NAME Date Status assigned: 12 May 1968

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Service	ARMY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	# #
Grade		Hair	BROWN	Complexion	#
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	#
Serial No	- DATA	Height	65 in / 1.65 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	DATA	Weight	111 lb / 50.3 kg	Duty pos	CREWMAN
Home State		Religion	OTHER	PW Camp	\$

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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

12 February 1975

ON 8 MAY 1968 WO GEORGE T. CONDREY III, PILOT, WO JAMES L. DAYTON, AIRCRAFT COMMANDER, SP4 DANIEL E. JURECKO, CREWCHIEF, AND ^{NAME} WERE ABOARD A UH-1C HELICOPTER ON A COMBAT SUPPORT MISSION ABOUT 35 NAUTICAL MILES SOUTHWEST OF DA NANG, SOUTH VIETNAM. DURING THE MISSION THE HELICOPTER WAS COMPLETING A TURN FROM EAST TO WEST WHEN IT EXPLODED IN MID-AIR AND PLUNGED FLAMING INTO THE A VUONG RIVER BANK; IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES (GC) YC 836 619.

THE VIOLENT MID-AIR EXPLOSION OF THE AIRCRAFT INDICATED THAT IT HAD BEEN HIT BY AN EXPLOSIVE PROJECTILE. SHORTLY AFTER THE INCIDENT, RECOVERY PERSONNEL LANDED IN THE VICINITY OF THE CRASH SITE BUT WERE UNABLE TO FIND ANY SIGNS OF LIFE. ON 12 MAY 1968 A PATROL FROM THE 5TH SPECIAL FORCES GROUP REACHED THE WRECKAGE OF THE AIRCRAFT. SEARCH MEMBERS OF THE PATROL LOCATED THE REMAINS OF FOUR BODIES. TWO BODIES WERE FOUND IN THE WRECKAGE, ONE ALONGSIDE, AND ONE WAS TWO METERS FORWARD OF THE AIRCRAFT. ALL OF THE BODIES WERE BURNED BEYOND RECOGNITION. DUE TO ENEMY ACTIVITY AND THE BADLY DETERIORATED STATE OF THE BODIES, THE REMAINS WERE NOT RECOVERED. (REF 1)

DURING THE EXISTENCE OF JCRC, THE HOSTILE THREAT IN THE AREA PRECLUDED ANY VISITS TO OR GROUND INSPECTIONS OF THE SITE INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. THESE INDIVIDUALS' NAMES AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. ALL CREWMEMBERS OF THE UH-1C HELICOPTER ARE CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED.

=== REFERENCES ===

12 February 1975

REFERENCES: <1>. RPT, HQS 10TH CAB, RVN, 26 MAY 68. <2> JCRC LNO MSG, 120554Z SEP 91. <3> CJTFFA DET ONE BANGKOK TH 240354Z JUL 93.

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

2 April 1992

CASE NARRATIVE PASSED TO THE VIETNAMESE DURING THE 30 MARCH 1992 TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

CASE: 1164

=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

12 February 1975

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: GEORGE T. CONDREY III 1164 JAMES L. DAYTON
1164 DANIEL E. JURECKO 1164 ^{NAME}

=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

8 October 1991

A JOINT INVESTIGATION TEAM INTERVIEWED WITNESSES IN HIEN DISTRICT TOWN ON 5-AUG 91 (ITERATION 14) WHO PROVIDED INFORMATION ON THE MAY 1968 SHOOT DOWN OF A US HELICOPTER WHICH CRASHED INTO THE VUONG RIVER AT YC 836 619. THE TEAM CONDUCTED AN EXTENSIVE UNDERWATER SEARCH AT THE CRASH SITE AND RECOVERED A LARGE PIECE OF METAL POSSIBLY FROM A HELICOPTER ROTARY SHAFT ASSEMBLY. THE GENERAL TIME FRAME, LOCATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE EVENTS OF REFNO 1164. (REF 2)

13 August 1993

ON 16 JUL 93, IE4 CONDUCTED AN INVESTIGATION OF CASE 1164 IN HIEN DISTRICT, QUANG NAM-DANANG PROVINCE. IE4 INTERVIEWED THREE WITNESSES, ALL OF WHOM HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED DURING A PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION OF THIS CASE. NONE OF THE WITNESSES HAD ANY NEW INFORMATION, OR ANY KNOWLEDGE OF REMAINS OR GRAVE SITES IN THE AREA. THE WITNESSES LED IE4 TO THE ALLEGED CRASH SITE IN THE A VUONG RIVER, BUT NO EVIDENCE OF AN AIRCRAFT CRASH COULD BE LOCATED. A SEARCH OF THE RIVER'S BANKS ALSO PRODUCED NO WRECKAGE, REMAINS, OR PERSONAL EFFECTS. (REF 3)